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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY
DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
STATE BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF THE SUSPENSION
OR REVOCATION OF THE LICENSE OF

Dianna L. Wispe, R.N.
License No. 26NR16618400

TO PRACTICE NURSING
IN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY

Administrative Action

CONSENT ORDER

This matter was opened to the State Board of Nursing ("Board") upon receipt of information that Respondent, Dianna Wispe, R.N., was terminated from her place of employment on March 31, 2014 at CentraState Health Care Systems for alcohol related misconduct. Specifically, supervisors requested Respondent undergo a health evaluation after suspicion of her being under the influence at work. Respondent refused to submit to a health evaluation, but admitted to consuming alcohol the previous night and taking prescription medication. After Respondent was escorted out of the building, a water bottle containing alcohol was found in Respondent's locker. Respondent was also terminated from her previous employer, Raritan Bay Medical Center, on October 31, 2013 for admitting to taking Xanax without a prescription. Although Respondent enrolled in the Recovery and Monitoring Program ("RAMP") on March 26, 2013, after a period of noncompliance, she dropped

out of the program on November 12, 2013. Additionally, on January 17, 2014, Respondent was arrested and charged with driving while intoxicated and with consuming alcoholic beverages while operating a motor vehicle. On March 19, 2014, Respondent pled guilty to both charges and received an eight month suspension of her driver's license, requirement of an ignition interlock device for her vehicle and enrollment in an alcohol abuse treatment program.

On May 30, 2014, an Order to Show Cause and Verified Complaint were filed with the Board. The allegations, if proven, would demonstrate that Respondent engaged in drug or alcohol use that is likely to impair her ability to engage in the practice of nursing with reasonable skill and safety, engaged in professional or occupational misconduct as well as acts constituting crimes involving moral turpitude and relating adversely to an activity regulated by the Board in violation of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21 (l), (e) and (f).

The parties being desirous of resolving this matter without the necessity of further proceedings and it appearing that Respondent has read the terms of the within Order and understands their meaning and effect and consents to be bound by same, and it further appearing that Respondent wishes to enter into an agreement and the Board finding the within disposition to be adequately protective of the public health, safety and welfare, and for good cause shown,

IT IS, therefore, on this 24th day of June, 2015,

ORDERED THAT:

1. Respondent's license to practice nursing in the State of New Jersey shall be suspended for a minimum period of one (1) year. No credit shall be granted toward the active period of suspension for any period during which Respondent is practicing any type of nursing in any other jurisdiction or country. The suspension shall commence on the 10th calendar day following Respondent's entry of this Consent Order.

2. After the minimum one year suspension period and prior to an application for reinstatement, Respondent shall demonstrate full compliance with the RAMP program and submit all documentation of compliance with RAMP requirements as well as a statement of support for reinstatement from RAMP. Also as a condition of reinstatement, Respondent shall appear before a committee of the Board to discuss her fitness and competence to practice nursing as well as her rehabilitation efforts and compliance with RAMP requirements.

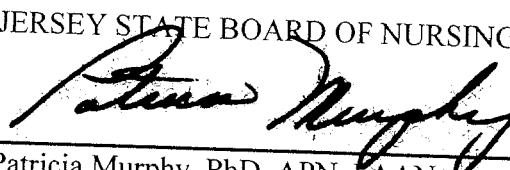
3. The parties hereby stipulate that entry of this Order is without prejudice to further action, investigation or restrictions upon reinstatement, by this Board, the Acting Attorney General, the Director of the Division of Consumer Affairs or other law enforcement entities resulting from Respondent's conduct prior to the entry of this Order.

4. The Board shall retain jurisdiction to enforce the terms of this Order. Upon receipt of any reliable information indicating that Respondent has violated any term of this Order, the Board reserves the right to bring further disciplinary action.

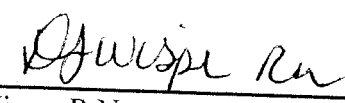
5. Respondent has been specifically advised that she has a right to retain an attorney in this matter, as the entry of this Order affects her legal rights. Respondent has voluntarily chosen to enter into this Order without the advice of counsel.

NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF NURSING

By:


Patricia Murphy, PhD, APN, FAAN,
President

I have read and understood the within Order and agree to be bound by its terms. I understand that this Order has serious professional and legal import and I have decided to enter into this agreement without legal counsel. Consent is hereby given to the Board to enter this Order.


Dianna L. Wispe, R.N.

06-11-2015

Date